

Amendments to the Specification

Kindly amend paragraph 0001 as follows:

This application is a continuation of Appl. No. 09/168,276, filed October 8, 1998,
now U.S. Patent No. 6,418,417.

Kindly amend paragraph 0007 as follows:

“System, Method, and Computer Program Product for Valuating Weather-Based
Financial Instruments,” Ser. No. 09/168,276, filed October 8, 1998, Attorney Docket No.
1481.0130001, now ~~allowed~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,418,417, incorporated herein by reference in
its entirety.